

Specification Amendments

Replace the paragraph between page 3, line 28 and page 4, line 10 with the following:

-- For the sake of clarity the stacking compartment is not shown completely in FIG. 1 but is only shown with the components required to explain its function. The flat postal items 3 are fed at an angle to the stacking compartment in a horizontal position, clamped between two relatively narrow driven belts 4, 5 of a covered belt system. At the entry to the stacking compartment the belt 4 lying on the stack side is fed back over a deflection roller 11 so that the postal item 3 to be stacked is free on this side and can be stacked. The postal item 3 is then directed on one side by the other belt 5 to a stacking roller 8. At this stacking roller 8 the postal item arriving at an angle to the stacking device is bent around in a parallel orientation to the stacked postal items of the stack 9 and transported to a stop wall 12. For each new stacked postal item 3 a stack support 13 holding the stack will move away from the stacking roller 8, so that space is again created for a new postal item 3.--